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C O N F I D E N T I A L LOURENCO MARQUES 0094

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SUBJECT: ECONOMIC SURVEY TEAM-MOZAMBIQUE

REF: (A) STATE 9479 (NOTAL); (B) LOURENCO MARQUES 041;
(C) LUSAKA 2633; (D) DAR ES SALAAM 3597

1. APPRECIATE GREATLY APPROVAL ECONOMIC SURVEY TEAM BY AID/
STATE. NOT CLEAR TO US FROM REF A WHETHER AMB. CARLUCCI PER-
SONALLY INTENDS RAISE MOZAMBIQUE SURVEY TEAM WITH GOP OFFICIALS
IN CONTEXT PARA 5, REFTEL, OR WHETHER EMBASSY HAS ALREADY
DONE SO. FOR LISBON: WOULD APPRECIATE STATUS REPORT.

2. NEW UNDP RESREP BALENSKI (REF C) HAS TAKEN UP DUTIES.
IN TALK WITH CONGEN OFFICER, HE CONFIRMED UN SURVEY TEAM
WOULD ARRIVE FEBRUARY 10, AS ANNOUNCED IN NEWSPAPERS JAN 23.
BALENSKI TOLD REED THAT TEAM, INCLUDING SPECIALIZED AGENCY
EXPERTS WOULD SPEND SOME THREE WEEKS HERE, WITH EXPERTS
TOURING COUNTRY. HE WAS UNAWARE OF IMF DELEGATION'S TIMING
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BUT STATED IMF GENERALLY TOOK 3-4 MONTHS TO DO IN-DEPTH STUDY

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WHEN MEMBERSHIP AND QUOTA DECISIONS INVOLVED. THEREFORE,
IF STUDY IS TO BE READY FOR INDEPENDENCE, IMF TEAM MIGHT
BE HERE SOON.

3. AS STATE/AID AWARE, AID SURVEY TEAM FIRST RAISED OVER
THREE MONTHS AGO WITH PRESIDENT MACHEL IN DAR ON OCTOBER 30
(REF D) AND THEN WITH PRIMIN CHISSANO IN LOURENCO MARQUES
(REF C). BOTH CONCURRED, WITH MACHEL SEEMINGLY MORE ENTHUSIASTIC.
SINCE THEN CHISSANO GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN SWAMPED WITH VISITING
TEAMS. I WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO MENTION SURVEY TEAM TO
CHISSANO ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, WHEN TAKING CODEL DIGGS
TO CALL. UNLESS DEPT OBJECTS, PLAN TO DISCUSS TEAM WITH HIM
AT THAT TIME. WOULD BE BETTER IF CLEARANCE HAD COME THROUGH
FROM PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT BY THEN BUT, SINCE SUBJECT ALREADY
DISCUSSED WITH HIM BY EASUM AND MYSELF, SEE NO REASON NOT TO
BRING HIM UP TO DATE ON PROPOSED TIMING OF SURVEY TEAM. WILL
NOT REQUEST HIS APPROVAL, UNLESS GOP APPROVAL HAS COME
THROUGH. HOWEVER, HE MAY WELL HAVE SUGGESTIONS, INCLUDING
NOT OVERLAPPING WITH UN TEAM. (IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY TEAM
LEADER COULD ARRIVE BEFORE FEB 10?)

4. BELIEVE MOST FRUITFUL PART OF U.S. ECONOMIC SURVEY TEAM'S
WORK WILL BE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH KNOWLEDGEABLE PEOPLE,
INCLUDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE ECONOMISTS, BANKERS,
AND BUSINESSMEN, AS WELL AS GETTING FIRST-HAND FEEL OF COUNTRY
IN CONTEXT PARA 2, REF B. RE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS ANALYSIS,
STRONGLY SUGGEST TEAM DISCUSS WITH IMF AND UNDP OFFICIALS
WHAT MATERIAL THEY HAVE AND WHAT THEY EXPECT TO DEVELOP.

5. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS RE RAISING TIMING WITH CHISSANO,
SINCE I WON'T GET ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY UNTIL CLEARANCE RECEIVED
FROM GOP.
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